

applicant for either an emergency lease under the provisions of § 3425.1-4 of this title or a lease modification.

(e) *Casual use* means activities which do not ordinarily lead to any appreciable disturbance or damage to lands, resources or improvements, for example, activities which do not involve use of heavy equipment or explosives and which do not involve vehicle movement except over already established roads and trails.

(f) *Certificate of bidding rights* means a right granted by the Secretary to apply the fair market value of a relinquished coal or other mineral lease or right to a preference right coal or other mineral lease as a credit against the bonus bid or bids on a competitive lease or leases acquired at a lease sale or sales, or as a credit against the payment required for a coal lease modification.

(g) *Coal deposits* mean all Federally owned coal deposits, except those held in trust for Indians.

(h) *Department* means the United States Department of the Interior.

(i) *Director* means the Director of the Bureau of Land Management unless otherwise indicated.

(j) *Environmental assessment* means a document prepared by the responsible Federal agency consistent with 40 CFR 1508.9.

(k) *Exploration* has the meaning set forth in § 3480.0-5(a)(17) of this title.

(l) *Exploration license* means a license issued by the authorized officer to permit the licensee to explore for coal on unleased Federal lands.

(m) *Exploration plan* has the meaning set forth in § 3480.0-5(a)(18) of this title.

(n) *Fair market value* means that amount in cash, or on terms reasonably equivalent to cash, for which in all probability the coal deposit would be sold or leased by a knowledgeable owner willing but not obligated to sell or lease to a knowledgeable purchaser who desires but is not obligated to buy or lease.

(o) *Federal lands* mean lands owned by the United States, without reference to how the lands were acquired or what Federal agency administers the lands, including surface estate, mineral estate and coal estate, but excluding lands held by the United States in trust for Indians, Aleuts or Eskimos.

(p) *Governmental entity* means a Federal or state agency or a political subdivision of a state, including a county or a municipality, or any corporation acting primarily as an agency or instrumentality of a state, which produces electrical energy for sale to the public.

(q) *Interest* in a lease, application or bid means: any record title interest, overriding royalty interest, working interest, operating rights or option, or any agreement covering such an interest; any claim or any prospective or future claim to an advantage or benefit from a lease; and any participation or any defined or undefined share in any increments, issues, or profits that may be derived from or that may accrue in any manner from the lease based on or pursuant to any agreement or understanding existing when the application was filed or entered into while the lease application or bid is pending. Stock ownership or stock control does not constitute an interest in a lease within the meaning of this definition. Attribution of acreage to stock ownership interests in leases is covered by § 3472.1-3(b) of this title.

(r) *Lease* means a Federal lease, issued under the coal leasing provisions of the mineral leasing laws, which grants the exclusive right to explore for and extract coal. In provisions of this group that also refer to Federal leases for minerals other than coal, the term *Federal coal lease* may apply.

(s) *Lease bond* means the bond or equivalent security given the Department to assure payment of all obligations under a lease, exploration license, or license to mine, and to assure that all aspects of the mining operation other than reclamation operations under a permit on a lease are conducted in conformity with the approved mining or exploration plan. This is the same as the *Federal lease bond* referred to in 30 CFR 742.11(a).

(t) *Licensee* means the holder of an exploration license.

(u) *License to mine* means a license issued under the provisions of part 3440 to mine coal for domestic use.

(v) *Logical Mining Unit* has the meaning set forth in § 3480.0-5(a)(22) of this title.